



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date April 19, 2004

In re the Application of

Katsuto KOYAMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1733

Application No.: 09/893,394

Examiner: S. Maki

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Docket No.: 109806

For: METHOD OF PRODUCING TREAD FOR TIRE

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

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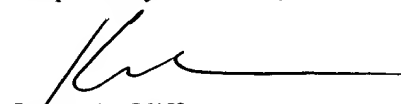
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired March 31, 2004, an extension of time for a period of 3 months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 153191 in the amount of \$950 in payment for:

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